

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 as follows:

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/449,182, filed on February 21, 2003, [[Attorney Docket No. BFM-02560,]] and U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/453,113, filed on March 7, 2003, [[Attorney Docket No. BFM-02561,]] and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/631,934, filed July 31, 2003, [[Attorney Docket No. BFM-01501,]] which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/429,053, filed November 25, 2002, [[Attorney Docket No. BFM-01560,]] all of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 73, line 4 as follows:

The functional form of \hat{W}_g is assumed unknown. However, it can be estimated to within a few percent by the results obtained from the neural net calculation. Figure 12 shows the standard form of the feedforward NN using sigmoid node functions to solve a multiple input single output system (MIMO). Based on this architecture, the formula for \hat{W}_g obtained from the neural net calculation may be expressed as:

$$\hat{W}_g(z) = \gamma \left[b2 + \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * \gamma \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right) \right] \quad \text{WGT SENSITIVITY 2}$$
$$\hat{W}_g(z) = \gamma \left[b2_{out} + \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * \gamma \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right) \right] \quad \underline{\text{WGT SENSITIVITY 2}}$$

where z is the vector of inputs, p is the number of neurons in the hidden layer, m is the number of inputs, $W1_{i,j}$ is the weight of the j^{th} input to the i^{th} neuron in the hidden layer, $b1_i$ is the bias

added to the i^{th} neuron, $W2_i$ is the weight of the i^{th} neuron to the output neuron, $b2_{out}$ is the bias added to the output neuron, and γ is the tanh function.

Please amend the equation on page 73, line 22 as follows:

$$\gamma' \left[b2 + \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * \gamma \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right) \right] * \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * W1_{i,k} * \gamma' \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right)$$

$$\gamma' \left[b2_{out} + \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * \gamma \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right) \right] * \sum_{i=1}^P W2_i * W1_{i,k} * \gamma' \left(b1_i + \sum_{j=1}^m W1_{i,j} * z_j \right)$$